

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Patent Application of Mary Tackbary et al. :

Examiner: Robert M. Pond

Serial No.: 09/525,491


Art Unit No.: 3625

Filed: March 15, 2000

Docket No.: 13212.118C3  
(Formerly 9203/031C3)For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR  
COMMUNICATING WITH A CARD  
DISTRIBUTION CENTER FOR SELECTING,  
ORDERING, AND SENDING SOCIAL  
EXPRESSION CARDS

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 20, 2002 received on the above referenced patent application, Applicant submits the following arguments in support of patentability and requests that the Examiner reconsider the rejections of the claims contained in this Office Action and issue a Notice of Allowance in this case.

Remarks

In an Office Action dated November 20, 2002, the Examiner rejected claims 45, 57, 69 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1, 51, 68, and 72 of U.S. Patent No 5,960,412 and claims 1, 21, 31, 41, 45, and 49 of U.S. Patent No. 6,092,054. The Examiner also rejected claims 45, 50-53, 57, 62-65, 69, 74-77 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being

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